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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan

SUBJECT: Report on Department of Education Cosponsorship

The Department of Education is asked to cosponsor a number of conferences or meetings. I am notifying the Board of the following cosponsorship:

2008 Infant Toddler Conference

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## COSPONSORSHIP

**Title of Event:** 2008 Infant Toddler Conference

**Primary Sponsoring Agency:** Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children

**Cosponsors:** Kaplan Early Learning Company

**Date:** September 11, 2008

**Location:** Dearborn, Michigan (Hyatt Regency)

**Purpose:** A one-day conference focusing on the social, emotional and development needs of infants and toddlers, including their education and care in group settings. Topics include current research, best practices, working with families, and the components of high quality programs.

**Major Speaker(s):** Keith L. Pentz, Keynote

**Audience:** Early childhood teachers, administrators, support personnel and parents, including representatives of child care centers, Early Head Start, and training programs.

**Staff Involvement:** One or two staff members from the Office of Early Childhood Education and Family Services will conduct a presentation to disseminate information regarding the *Early Childhood Standards of Quality for Infant and Toddler Programs* as approved by the State Board of Education.

Financial Obligation (please check)    Federal                      State   X      Other

**Staff Costs (including fringe benefits and number of days):** **\$ 603**  
2 staff @ .7 days

Other Costs (including meals, phone, postage, travel, etc.)	\$ 48
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**State Board Participation:** Yes, as invited guests

The following "Statement of Cosponsorship" will appear on the printed agenda for the meeting or conference:

Cosponsorship of a conference by the Michigan Department of Education assumes the active participation of Department of Education staff in the planning and development of the agenda. No person shall be denied the opportunity to participate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, sex, marital status or disability. The conference facility must meet federal and state accessibility standards. Commercial products or services displayed or presented as a part of the conference are not considered endorsed by the Michigan Department of Education.